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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q61542

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Examiner: James S. Wozniak

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For: SPEECH SIGNAL DECODING METHOD AND APPARATUS, SPEECH SIGNAL  
ENCODING/DECODING METHOD AND APPARATUS, AND PROGRAM PRODUCT  
THEREFOR

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of July 19, 2004 to November 19, 2004.

A check for the statutory fee of \$110.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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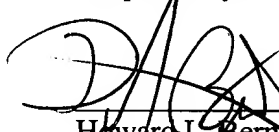
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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